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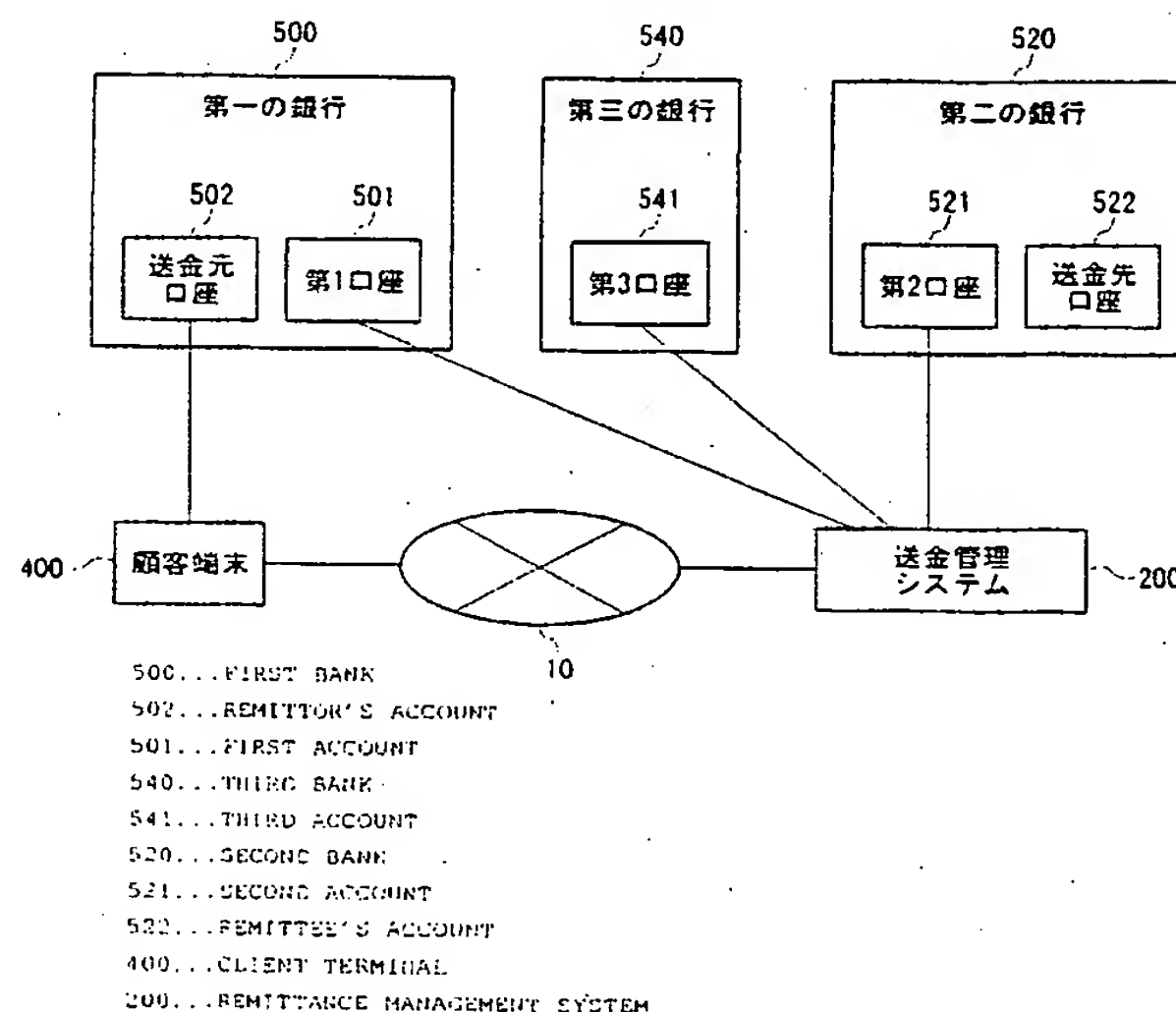
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(54) Title: REMITTANCE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

(54) 発明の名称: 送金管理システム



(57) Abstract: A remittance management system for managing/instructing remittance so that the costs of money transfer between banks to the client and banks may be lowered. When a sender client remits money from the account (502) of the sender client to the account (522) of a recipient client, the sender client transfers the money to an account (501), not remitting it. When the system confirms the transfer, the system transfers money, not from the account (501), but from the account (521) to the account (522). The balance of the account (501) is supplemented by transfer or debt by the system. Integration of transactions (for single money transfer) and a change of cash flow (from inter-bank transfer to intra-bank transfer) are conducted while check of cost tradeoff is being made.

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER
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Box I Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 1 of first sheet)

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1. ☒ Claims Nos.: 17-19

because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:

The subject matter substantially relates to a service for remittance described abstractly at a level of practical procedure and relates to a method of doing business (Rule 67.1(iii)). Therefore the inventions do not involve any substantial technical feature (in the field of information communication

2. ☐ Claims Nos.:

because they relate to parts of the international application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful international search can be carried out, specifically:

3. ☐ Claims Nos.:

because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).

Box II Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

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3. ☐ As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:
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technology). (The inventions of the other claims relate to mere expression of such a method nominally as "a system" or "a program.")